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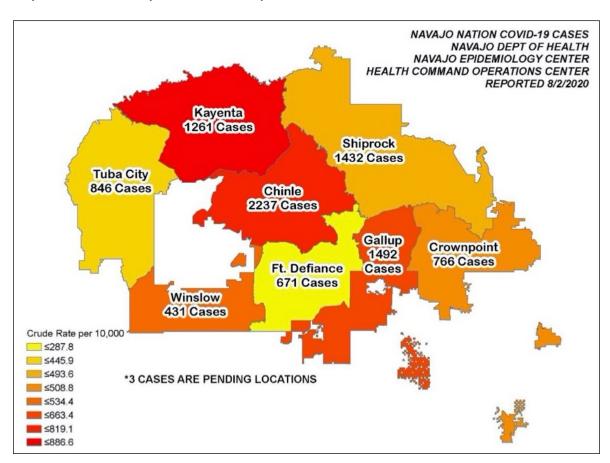
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6,743 recoveries, 36 new cases, and one more death related to COVID-19



WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – On Monday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 36 new COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation and one more death. The total number of deaths has reached 462 as of Monday. Reports indicate that 6,743 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 82,148 people have been tested for COVID-19. The total number of COVID-19 positive cases for the Navajo Nation is 9,139.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

· Chinle Service Unit: 2,237

Crownpoint Service Unit: 766
Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 671
Gallup Service Unit: 1,492
Kayenta Service Unit: 1,261
Shiprock Service Unit: 1,432
Tuba City Service Unit: 846
Winslow Service Unit: 431

On Monday, the state of Arizona reported 1,030 new cases of COVID-19, while New Mexico reported 117 new cases, and Utah reported 354 new cases.

"Today, the states of Arizona, Utah, and New Mexico are reporting lower numbers of new COVID-19 cases compared to recent days. Here on the Navajo Nation, we continue to flatten the curve, but we cannot become complacent or careless in our daily activities especially when we are out in public. Our health care experts urge everyone to continue to stay home and isolate as much as possible, wear masks in public, avoid large crowds, wash hands, and practice social distancing. We have a long road ahead because there is no vaccine available yet, so please hold yourself and others accountable for staying safe and healthy," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

On Tuesday, Aug. 4 at 10:00 a.m. (MDT), President Nez and Vice President Myron Lizer will host an online town hall on the Nez-Lizer Facebook page to provide updates regarding COVID-19.

"The Navajo Nation Department of Health, contact tracers, epidemiologist team, Health Command Operations Center, and many others are doing a great job in helping to isolate the coronavirus and save lives. We owe so much gratitude to our first responders and everyone who is working around the clock to help those who are sick and those fighting for their lives. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. We will overcome COVID-19 together," said Vice President Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website at http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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^{*} Three residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.